
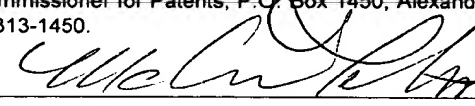


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b> Applicant(s): Hong et al.				Docket No. <b>Lee113</b>	
Serial No. 09/823/01 828131	Filing Date June 8, 2001	Examiner S. Chunduru	Group Art Unit 1637		
Invention: <b>Low Temperature Cycle Extension of DNA with High Priming Specificity</b>					
<b><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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In re PATENT APPLICATION of Hong et al.

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**AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 5, 2003 in connection with the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Listing of claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.